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"CANADIAN CLUB" WHISKY.  
Per Case 1 Doz. Bottles \$20.00.  
H. Price & Co.  
WINE & SPIRITS MERCHANTS  
12, Queen's Road Central.

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No. 13,346

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1906.

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GENUINE MUNICH BEER.

AUGUSTINER BRAU  
EXPORT TAPEL BEER.

Per Case of 6 doz. ptes. \$18.00.  
Per Case of 4 doz. qts. \$18.00.

MAGEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.,  
3, DUDDELL STREET.  
SOLE AGENTS.

Intimations.

HONGKONG GUN CLUB.

THE ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP  
COMPETITION will take place on  
SATURDAY, 13th January, at 4 P.M.  
A Ladies' Nomination Prize will also be  
shot for.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.  
OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAM-  
SHIP CO.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9, 1905.

MR E. W. TILDEN is hereby appointed  
ACTING AGENT of the PACIFIC  
MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. and OCCID-  
ENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP  
CO., at Shanghai, effective January 1, 1906,  
vice Messrs FRANK, DUNFEE & Co.  
Resigned.

R. P. SCHWERTIN,  
President, O. & O.S.S. Co.,  
V.P. & O.M., P.M.S.S. Co.

P. & O. S. N. CO.

NOTICE.

THE Company's new Steamer DELTA  
will be OPEN to Public Inspection  
alongside the Rowland Wharf, on FRIDAY,  
12th January, from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M.

E. A. BEWETT,  
Superintendent.

LESSONS IN PHOTOGRAPHY AND  
JAPANESE  
By a COMPETENT PHOTOGRAPHER AND  
JAPANESE TEACHER.

THE Undersigned is prepared to give  
LESSONS as above, either at his  
Office or at the Residence of intending  
Pupils.  
Very Moderate Charges, which can be  
obtained on application.

M. NAKAJIMA,  
c/o M. MURRAY,  
or Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO.,  
LIMITED.

TO ARRIVE BY THE S.S. "GLENSTRATH".  
FRESH SUPPLY

HAIR FRAMES,  
HAIR PINS,  
&c., &c., &c.

THE ...  
DAIRY FARM CO., LD.

FINEST AUSTRALIAN  
BUTTER  
70 Cents per lb.

SECOND QUALITY (Very Good)  
60 Cents per lb.

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W. S. BAILEY & CO.  
ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS.

WORKS: KOWLOON BAY. OFFICES & SHOWERS: No. 20, CONNAUGHT ROAD.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO  
AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND  
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA  
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

Hongkong-Canton Line.  
S.S. HONAM, 2,382 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.  
S.S. FOWAN, 2,338 tons, Captain G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.  
S.S. PATSHAN, 2,240 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.  
S.S. LIAN KOW, 3,075 tons, Captain C. V. Lloyd.  
S.S. KINSAN, 1,995 tons, Captain J. J. Lowry.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday Excepted), 9 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. (Saturday Excepted).  
Departures from Canton to Hongkong daily at 8.30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mail, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

Hongkong-Macao Line.  
S.S. HEUNGSHAN, 1,888 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.  
S.S. NANNING, 569 tons, Captain G. Butcher.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Hongkong every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m., and the other leaves Hongkong for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about five days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the:  
HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.  
HOTEL MANSIONS, (First Floor), opposite the Hongkong Hotel,  
Or of BUTTERFIELD AND SWIRE,  
Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Canton-Macao Line.  
S.S. LUNGSHAN, 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.  
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a.m., and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 a.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. & C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

Canton-Wuchow Line.  
S.S. SHAN, 1,588 tons, Captain W. A. Valentin.  
S.S. NANNING, 569 tons, Captain G. Butcher.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about five days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

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WANTED.  
COMPOSITORS wanted for Singapore, must be thoroughly competent.  
Apply to KELLY & WALSH, LD.

NOTICE.  
MR CHATER PAUL CHATER was  
admitted a PARTNER in our Firm  
on the 1st Inst.  
VERNON & SMYTH.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1906.

NOTICE.  
MESSRS DISS HAAS & CO., having  
purchased the Business of the  
"BURLINGTON" beg to announce they  
have assumed full charge of the manage-  
ment. Mr AHMET RUJAJAH'S Con-  
nection therewith entirely ceases, with  
the exception of certain rights temporarily  
reserved for him.

GOVERNMENT GENERAL OF  
FRENCH INDO-CHINA.  
TERRITORY OF KWANGCHOW-  
WAN.  
CIUM FARM FOR 1906.

BY Order of the Government of French  
Indo-China the Chief Administrator  
of the Territory of Kwangchowwan is  
prepared to receive up to the 16th inst.  
Tenders for the Farming of Opium within  
Kwangchowwan Territory for the period of  
one year, from FEBRUARY 20, 1906 to  
FEBRUARY 19, 1907 inclusive.

The Farming comprises (1) The importation  
of crude or prepared opium for sale  
and local consumption in the Territory of  
Kwangchowwan, (2) The purchase and sale  
of the Opium refuse in the said Territory.  
Full particulars and conditions can be  
seen at the French Consulate, Hongkong  
and Canton.

Applicants must forward under sealed  
cover (1) a stamped tender, according to  
specimen attached to book of conditions  
(2) a receipt proving the payment as a  
temporary security of a sum of \$1,000 to  
a public cash office of the Government  
General of Indo-China or to a French  
Consulate. Offers can be sent by post  
or by wire through the French Consulate.

By Order,  
GASTON LIEBERT,  
Consul for France.

Dr T. YAMASAKI,  
DENTAL SURGEON.  
(JAPANESE DIPLOMA).

No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
Second Floor, above TAN OHNGSIE.  
& Latest American methods. No charge  
for consultation.

Office Hours 1-5 P.M. to 5 P.M.  
SUNDAYS 9 A.M. to Noon.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE  
1898.  
APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION  
OF TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
JOHN DE KUYPER & SON, carrying  
on business at Rotterdam, in the Kingdom  
of Holland, as Distillers, have on the 4th  
day of November, 1905, applied for the regis-  
tration in accordance with the provisions of  
the Register of Trade Marks of the following  
Trade Marks:

A Dome or Bell-shaped figure inside of  
which is the representation of an  
Anchor and across which is the signature  
of the Firm JOHN DE KUYPER & SON, and  
underneath the Anchor are the letters J.D.K.S.

The above mark to be used in combi-  
nation with the following mark:  
An Anchor within a Semi-circle  
formed by the name JOHN DE  
KUYPER & SON. The latter mark  
being placed at the right hand upper  
corner of the above close proximity to  
the former mark.

In the name of JOHN DE KUYPER &  
SON who claim to be the proprietors  
thereof.  
The Trade Marks have been used by the  
applicant for fifteen years and upwards  
in respect of the following goods:-  
HOLLANDS GENEVA IN GLASS 48

Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be  
seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary  
of Hongkong, and also at the Office of  
the Undersigned.  
Dated the 11th day of November, 1905.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,  
Solicitors for the Applicants.  
8, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong.

CHEN WING & CO.,  
23 & 25, LEE YUEN STREET (WEST)  
HONGKONG.

DEALERS IN  
All Sorts of COPPER, BRASS, STEEL  
IRON WARE, &c.

STEEL GILDERS AND TEES,  
CORRUGATED IRON, PIG IRON, &c.,  
Suitable for  
SHIPS, ENGINEERS AND HOUSE BUILDERS.

WILLIAM MACLEOD,  
D.D.S.  
ENGLISH DENTIST.  
11 and 13, BRACKENFIELD AVENUE.

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Business Notices.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED  
(SOLE AGENTS FOR BELL'S ASBESTOS CO., LTD., LONDON).

SAVE FUEL BY COVERING YOUR BOILERS AND STEAMPIPES  
WITH  
BELL'S ASBESTOS NON-CONDUCTING COMPOSITION.

ESTIMATES GIVEN  
FOR WORK FINISHED COMPLETE.

JOB SUPPLIED IN  
Bags of 1 cwt. each.

OFFICE: 6, DES VOEUX ROAD.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

AN ENTIRELY NEW STOCK OF  
GENTLEMEN'S  
UNDERWEAR AND PYJAMAS.

The 'WOLSEY' Unshrinkable Underwear  
N.B.—Any Garment Shrank in Washing

REPLACED FREE  
SPECIAL VALUE IN ALL WOOL PYJAMAS.

DRESSING GOWNS, OVERCOATS,  
WINTER GLOVES, MUFFLERS, CAPS, SHIRTS,  
COLLARS, TIES.

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STAG HOTEL,  
148, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, MOST CENTRALLY SITUATED;  
WELL FURNISHED AND AIRY BEDROOMS.  
Monthly Bn dars accommodated on very Moderate Terms.  
For Particulars, apply to THE MANAGER.

HOTEL BALTIMORE (LATE HOTEL AMERICA)  
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A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, under European Management, NICELY FURNISHED,  
AIRY ROOMS, EVERY COMFORT FOR RESIDENTS AND TOURISTS.  
EXCELLENT CUISINE. Three minutes' walk from the Ferry Wharf.  
Terms Reasonable. Apply to THE MANAGER.

HARRIS-KUENEY CO.  
MANUFACTURERS OF HIGH-GRADE FIBRE, RATTAN AND HARDWOOD  
FURNITURE AND NOVELTIES.

NO BAMBOO FRAMES IN OUR CHAIRS.  
Just received a New Stock of TIENTSIN RUGS.  
Showrooms—No. 2, Pedder St.; Factory—1 to 13, Shaukiwan Rd.

N. LAZARUS,  
OPTICIAN,  
8187 TESTED FREE. LENSES GROUND ON-  
REPAIRS A SPECIALITY.

'JANUS'  
LIFE & ANNUITY INSURANCE CO.,  
HAMBURG.  
ESTABLISHED 1848.

ASSETS PER 31st DECEMBER, 1904,  
Mk. \$3,400,000—equal to \$2,800,000.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having been  
appointed GENERAL AGENTS of  
the above Company for Hongkong, and  
China, are prepared to accept LIFE and  
ANNUITY INSURANCES, as well as to  
issue ACCIDENT POLICIES at the most  
liberal terms ever offered in the East.

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ORIENTAL SILKS, CREPES,  
EMBROIDRIES, RUGS,  
LACES, DRAPERY,  
FANCY GOODS,  
&c., &c., &c.

Kindly note that the above Articles are  
suitable for Presents for  
XMAS AND NEW YEAR.  
Inspection earnestly solicited.

DHUNAMAL CHELLAM,  
58, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

W. BREWER & CO.  
23 and 25 QUEEN'S ROAD.

A LARGE STOCK DIARIES, 1906.  
AYRES CHAMPION TENNIS BALLS, 1906.

CHESS, DRAUGHTS, DOMINOES, RANEE, CHANGE-RING, SHILLING,  
and Large Variety of INDIAN GAMES.

CHRISTMAS NUMBERS,  
GRAPHIC, HOLLY LEAVES, SKETCH, WINDSOR, LONDON, ROYAL.

A New Stock  
LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS AND SHOES  
CROQUET LAWN BOWLS-TENNIS AND CRICKET GEAR.

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BEWARE OF OTHER ITALIAN VERMOUTHS  
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AND MADE IN FRANCE.

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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LD

PORTLAND CEMENT

In Casks of 375 lbs. net, \$4.75 per Cask, ex Factory

In Bags of 250 lbs. net, \$2.80 per Bag, ex Factory.

Shewan, Tomes &

GENERAL MANAGERS.

RACES, 1906.

FAIRALL & CO.

ARE NOW SHOWING A NEW CONSIGNMENT OF

DRESS GOODS, SUNSHADES,  
GLOVES, SHOES,

Furs and Laces for Neckwear.

7 and 9, PEDDER STREET.

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UNRIVALLED FOR COMFORT AND CUISINE,  
THOROUGHLY UP TO DATE WITH EVERY MODERN LUXURY.

MODERATE TERMS AND N. EXTRA  
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THREE MINUTES' WALK FROM POST OFFICE.  
SPECIAL TERMS FOR MONTHLY BOARDERS.  
RATES MODERATE.

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Aniseed and Licorice Cough Balsam  
for  
Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, and Soreness of the  
Chest—Price 50 cents and 1.00.

CRUICKSHANK'S COUGH REMEDY,  
A valuable remedy for Influenza, Colds, Bronchitis,  
Asthma, and all Diseases of the Chest and  
Lungs—Price \$1.00 per Bottle.

LEE LOONG & CO.,  
FURNITURE STORE,  
No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL  
(Next Door to H. PRICE & Co.)

ALL Kinds of FURNITURE, CARVED CANTON BLACKWOOD, CHOCOLATE and Glass  
Ware, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.  
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Intimations.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

The value of ENO'S 'FRUIT SALT' cannot be told. Its success in Europe, Asia, Africa, America, Australia, and New Zealand proves it. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT where it has been taken in the earliest stages of a Disease, it has, in innumerable instances, PREVENTED what would otherwise have been A SERIOUS ILLNESS.

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THE ONLY GENUINE

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WHICH BEARS THE NAME OF

J. CLIFFORD-WILKINSON.

BEWARE OF SPURIOUS  
IMITATIONSwhich are unpalatable and sometimes  
dangerous.

Per Case of 48 Pints.....\$8.50

Per Dozen Pints.....\$1.70

Per Case of 144 Pints.....\$2.00

Per Dozen Pints.....\$1.10

**TANSAN  
GINGER ALE.**

Experts Testify That

**TANSAN** MAKES THE MOST  
WHOLESALE AND  
PALATABLE**GINGER ALE** A. S. WATSON  
IN THE WORLD.

Per Case 48 Pints.....\$7.75

Per Dozen Pints.....1.55

Per Case 60 Pints.....5.25

Per Dozen Pints.....1.30

SAMPLES ON APPLICATION

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**NAVY SERGES**

Direct from British Mills.

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Per Yard.

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FAST DYE.

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**HONGKONG**THE HONGKONG FROZEN  
FOOD SUPPLY.

THE DEPOT OPENS at 6 a.m.

The following are in Stock :-

PRIME Australian Beef, Mutton, Lamb,

Pork, Dairy Farm Fed-Pork &amp; Veal,

Bacon, Best, English, 75 cts. per lb.

Bacon, Best, Australian, 70 cts. per lb.

Capone Dairy Farm Fed, Dressed \$1.05 each

Chickens, do do 75 cts. each

Chicken's Livers.....4 cts. each

Chicken's Gizzards.....4 cts. each

Ducks, Local (dressed).....65 cts. each

Ducks, Wild.....75 cts. each

Australian Smoked Mullet.....50 cts. per lb.

do do Schnapper, 60 cts. each

Goose, Local, (dressed).....\$1.50 each

Hares, Australian 1st Grade, \$1.40 each

Ham, Best York.....70 cts. per lb.

Ham, Australian, 'Pineapple' 65 cts. (2 cts. extra per lb. for ham float).

Honey, Best Australian.....60 cts. per lb.

Kidneys Australian Sheep.....5 cts. each

Oysters, American, large size, \$2.50 per tin

Australian Oysters 2 1/2 doz. 6 lbs \$1.00, bot.

bottles.....\$1.50

Partridges, Local.....75 cts. each

Pigeons, Local.....25 cts. each

Pigeons, Wild, Dressed.....30 cts. each

Rabbit, Australian 1st Grade, 65 cts. each

Rice Birds.....\$1.04, per doz

Sausages, Australian Fritz.....60 cts. per lb.

Sausages, Own Make (of Aus-

tralian Meats).....25 cts. per lb.

Tongues, Australian Sheep.....20 cts. each

Turkeys, Australian (plucked) 70 cts. per lb.

SPECIAL NOTE

Orders required to be filled in the Early

Morning should be sent in before 3.30 p.m.

the previous day.

Orders for Noon should be sent in by

8.00 a.m. the same day.

Orders for 3.30 p.m. should be sent in by

Not later than the same day.

Hongkong, December 21, 1905. 1278

**A. S. WATSON  
& Co., Ltd.**

WINE &amp; SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

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**SCOTCH****WHISKY.**

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**FINE****FLAVOUR**

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ATTAINED ONLY BY

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Per Dozen, - - - \$16.50.

**A. S. WATSON & CO.,**

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ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong

Amateur Dramatic Club in City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Sumatra not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

Goods per Katsung undelivered after 4

p.m. on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

Saturday, January 13.—

Goods per Doris undelivered after this

date will be landed.

Monday, January 15.—

11 a.m.—Government Bills received by

Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Depart-

ment.

3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Pro-

perty, &amp;c., at Messrs Hughes &amp;

Hough's Sales Rooms.

Tuesday, January 16.—

Register of Shares of Hongkong Land

Reclamation Co., Ltd., close from this

date to 20th January inclusive.

Wednesday, January 17.—

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Canton Medical

Missionary Society, in College Audi-

torium, Canton.

Transfer Books of China Provident Loan

and Mortgage Co., Ltd. close from this

date to 20th January inclusive.

Goods per Caladenia undelivered after

this date at Noon will be subject to

rent and landing charges.

Saturday, January 20.—

11 a.m.—Meeting of China Provident

Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd. at Co.'s

Office.

Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong Land

Reclamation Co., Ltd. at Co.'s Office.

Register of Shares of The West Point

Building Co., Ltd., close from this date

to 1st February inclusive.

Register of Shares of the Hongkong Land

Investment &amp; Agency Co., Ltd. close

from this date to 1st February in-

clusive.

Saturday, January 27.—

9.15 p.m.—Concert in St. Andrew's Hall.

Thursday, February 1.—

11 a.m.—Meeting of The West Point

Building Co., Ltd., at the Co.'s Office.

Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong Land

Investment &amp; Agency Co., Ltd., at

Co.'s Office.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1906.

## MYSTERY-MONGERING.

Among people of a certain disposition there is a tendency to overdo the policy of secrecy; to follow the Biblical injunction to an illogical conclusion and not only permit the one hand to know what the other is doing but to insist upon the one hand doing its work behind a screen or beneath the covering veil of darkness. Every virtue pushed to an extreme becomes the most objectionable kind of vice. Economy develops the miser, discretion the coward, faith the fanatic. So among public men the necessary safeguarding of the important secrets of the community insensibly leads them to adopt an unnecessary and ludicrous air of mystery in regard to the most innocuous matters. This is of course largely due to the necessity for a settled system in the conduct of great public services. It would obviously be unwise to let a junior and irresponsible member of the civil service divulge information of which he had obtained possession in his official capacity, without the sanction of his chief. This on matters of policy. But it does seem to be the height of absurdity when some matter of administration or re-adjustment of offices has been determined upon to sedulously prevent an inkling of what is going on from leaking into the public press. There is reason in all things. Red-tape is useful for tying documents together, but it was never meant to be used as a material for constructing the equivalent of wire-entanglements around the fount of knowledge. It is the sworn duty of public servants to hold inviolate information which if divulged might be detrimental to the general weal. But the appointment of a bailiff is apparently regarded in some quarters as much a State secret as the mounting of additional position guns. It is not surprising, knowing as we do the effects which usually follow a lengthy period of environment in red tape, to observe that while frantic endeavours are made to prevent the untimely disclosure of the momentous fact that a policeman has received an increase of \$5 a month the foreigners in our midst are permitted to take photographs of our forts practically with impunity. It is true that notice-boards threatening prosecution give sporadic warnings to the camera-bearer but actually he is not interfered with until he requests a sentry to range himself alongside one of the big guns in order to get the human interest into the picture. Let it not be supposed that we are seeking to discredit our civil service as a whole. We have always declared that Hongkong is exceptionally favoured in the character, integrity and intelligence of those who serve the public from His Excellency down. It is because we regard this mystery-mongering which

has grown peculiarly noticeable in some quarters lately as a decided blemish on an otherwise fair escutcheon that we call attention to it. When it comes to using great pains to prevent the public learning anything in regard to social functions which they are expected to support peculiarly it is time that someone preferred a protest. An amusing story, evidently ornamented with considerable exaggeration, has just been told us. It is related that a number of worthy citizens were to meet one afternoon to discuss the arrangements for a public function. Stenographically they sailed into the garret in which the secret meeting was to be held, having given the necessary pass-words to the vigilant sentries who stood at intervals of ten paces along the gloomy corridors which led to the mysterious meeting place. They proceeded to discuss what Mr. General Public should be charged for the privilege of making the function a success, first however stationing a keen-eyed member of their select body on the roof with a field-glass to warn them if Mr. G. P. appeared anywhere within gun-shot of the building. Really all this seems very absurd. Surely in regard to social functions discussions should not be attended with all the secrecy that is natural and proper in connection with a Council of War. There is nothing, so far as we can see, disgraceful in projecting a concert, a ball, or a boat-race and consequently there seems to be no reason for the projectors behaving as if there were.

The maternal old War Office does some quaint things at times. In fact the reputation seems to be settling upon it that it cannot, even by a fluke, do anything that has a semblance of wisdom about it. Of course this sweeping belief is unkind, and generally germinates in the hearts of the jealous only, and thrives upon the milk of human unkindness instead of upon that brand that is sometimes considered to be able to work wonders in quarters where hope of a better future has long been blasted. Sometimes the War Office does wise do things, but it forfeits credit for them when it is guilty of such time and labour-wasting folly as the appointment—as it arranged the other day—of a commission ostensibly to try and discover why there is a shortage of officers in the Army. That obvious fact could have been ascertained without the trouble and expense of a commission. Any man in the street could have enlightened any of those in the War Office who might suddenly acquire the passing curiosity to learn things that every other person has known for years. There is a shortage of officers in the Army simply and solely because the parsimonious War Office will not pay sufficient to induce capable men to take to soldiering as a profession. Some who have money of their own join on account of the honour and glory attaching to legalised swashbuckling, but it takes something more substantial than honour and glory to fill the stomachs of those who have no private means to depend upon. The man who joins the British Army with the notion in his head that he is about to make a financial mark for himself in the world has notion instead of brains in the cerebral hemispheres, and he is of little use to himself or anyone else. The man the British Army wants at the present moment is the one with brains, bravery and brawn, and they constitute a triplicate of qualities that cannot be got at the cheap price offered by the War Office. There are too many other avenues open to the man with ambition, for him to be tempted into a poorly paid army that is run by a civilian War Minister who can take it upon himself to tell the military members of his Council how they should conduct a campaign. Let the War Office pay the salaries that the safeguarding of the Empire is worth and there will be no dearth of officers. At present rates it almost pays better to be a mere member of a coal lumper's union than to be an officer in the King's Army.

**Monkey in a Crockery Shop.**  
A monkey got loose yesterday afternoon in Queen's Road and booted into the Nam Bing Loong crockery shop where it commenced to caper round to the great danger of the crockery. The proprietor became alarmed for the safety of his wares and called in a constable who despatched the frisky little animal with his baton.

**Strange Article of Food.**  
The following was the somewhat strange charge preferred against a hawk named Au Kam, at the Magistracy this morning:—"Unlawfully did sell an article of food for man, to wit, fresh blood, usually sold in a Public Market in a place other than that licensed by the Sanitary Board, to wit, Des Voeux Road West." Blood is a recognised article of food among the Chinese, but for selling it in an unauthorized place the defendant was fined \$3.

## LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The French Mail of the 12th Dec was delivered in London on the 10th Jan.

Twenty-six coal coolies were convicted, at the Magistracy, this morning, on a charge of gambling at Wanchai. The two principals were fined \$75 each and the others \$3 each.

The *Lingnam Hokshang Kasi*, an Anglo-Chinese educational monthly published in Canton, contains an excellent article on "How to Learn English." The article is written by J. Y. McGinnis for the benefit of Chinese students.

The order which was given to Prince Su to proceed to Mongolia to reform the administration there is due to Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai's recommendation. Prince Su will specially attend to consider the reorganization of the military system and also to investigate mining products.

A boy employed at the Hongkong Club died suddenly yesterday. The boy employed at the Club had just been paraded by the steward, Mr. J. Quinn, to get their names and addresses taken when one of them sat down suddenly in a chair and expired almost immediately. A doctor was called and pronounced life to be extinct, death being due to heart disease.

## H.K. and S. Bank Dividend.

We are officially authorized to state that subject to audit, the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will recommend at the forthcoming meeting a Dividend of £1.15/6 per share; a Bonus of £1 per share; and to the Reserve Fund \$5,000,000; and carry forward about \$1,700,000.

## The P. and O. New Steamer.

The P. and O. Company's fine new steamer "Delta," a description of which appeared in our columns some time ago, will be open for public inspection from 3 to 6 p.m. on Friday, the 12th inst., and the P. and O. Company extend an invitation to all to visit their new steamer and satisfy themselves as to the fine class of vessels they have now placed on this run.

## Russian Jewish Prisoners.

It is understood that the Japanese Government has consented to permit Russian Jewish prisoners to proceed to any country they desire instead of being repatriated with the other prisoners. By so doing the Japanese Government foregoes all claims for the maintenance of these prisoners, involving a considerable financial loss. Subscriptions, we believe, are being raised in the Jewish Community here to enable a number of Jewish prisoners to proceed to America.

## Revenge.

An ex-cadre officer Li Tai was walking along Queen's Road yesterday a man rushed out from a verandah near the Western Market, and, taking the officer by surprise, knocked him down. Once on the ground the assailant seized hold of officer's queue and struck and kicked him, and then escaped by a side street. The ex-cadre officer however recognised his assailant as a man he had prosecuted and who had been fined \$200 or three months' gaol, a sentence which he served. This morning accompanied by Chief Excise Officer Hogarth he went to search for the man and succeeded in finding him again in the vicinity of the market. As soon as he was discovered the man ran away but was stopped by an Indian Constable. He was brought up at the Magistracy this morning, and sentenced to a month's imprisonment.

## Penitent Sailors.

A sailor named Crockett appeared before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Magistracy, to-day, in a penitent mood, charged with being drunk and disorderly in the vicinity of the Sailor's Home. He pleaded guilty. The arresting constable deposed that he got out of a ricksha near the Home early this morning and refused to pay his fare, and between his shouting and that of the coolies a great noise was made. Defendant regretted the occurrence and asked to be lightly dealt with. He had, he said, been one of the crew on a vessel which had lately been bought for the Japanese Government and was now being sent home. They would leave on Monday. "Will you promise not to drink a drop before you go away," asked Mr. Hazeland. "Yes, Sir," replied the defendant. "We had no been on shore for some time and were a little fresh." "Discharged with a caution," ordered His Worship, "but don't you come before me again." Another sailor named Buckley, charged with a similar offence, was given an opportunity similar to that extended to the first defendant. "I'll never drink again," said he. His Worship smiled: "Discharged with a caution, and don't you touch a drop."

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

## THE MOROCCO EMBROGLIO.

## ITALY'S PERPLEXITY.

Desires to Steer a Middle Course.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 10.

The Italian press is perplexed at the approach of the Morocco Conference, being in a dilemma as to which power to support, France or Germany.

If Italy supports Germany, reasons the press, she will be confronted by a union of France and Great Britain; if Italy joins in with France she will be opposed to Germany and Austria.

Despite this, confidence is felt at the appointment of M. Visconti-Venosta as the Italian Delegate.

He will use his influence to prevent a rupture between France and Germany.

## PREPARING THE WHITE BOOK.

Baron von Richthofen Paralyzed.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 10.

Baron von Richthofen, German

Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,

has been seized with a paralytic stroke.

The Minister has been preparing the

Whitebook on Morocco for publication

and it is considered that the seizure

is due to overwork.

[Baron von Richthofen was born at Jassy in 1847 and served in the German-Austrian and Franco-Prussian wars. He joined the Imperial Civil Service in Alsace-Lorraine in 1871, remaining there for five years, after which he entered the Foreign Office. Nine years later—1885—he represented Germany on the International Commission for the administration of the Egyptian Debt, after which—in 1898—he was Director for Foreign Affairs. In 1907 he was appointed Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and in 1900 he became German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a position he still fills.—Ed., O.M.]

## [REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

## GERMANY'S STANDPOINT.

## The Willy Sultan.

LONDON, January 8.

A German White book on the Morocco question has been issued; it bears evidence of having been carefully compiled, rather than the purpose of establishing the standpoint of Germany, than of retorting to the French Yellow Book; it shows that the Sultan of Turkey emphatically assured the German representatives that France was claiming to be mandatory of Europe and advances various facts tending to prove the contention that French reform schemes implied complete French control in Morocco.

Prince von Buelow maintains that Germany in demanding a conference defends the interests of all the Powers.

The press commenting on the White Book considers that it indicates an amicable solution, though doubts are expressed concerning German designs on the Atlantic coast.

## THE ELECTIONS.

## The Liberals and Chinese Labour.

All the leaders of both sides were speaking last night; fiscal reform, and the Chinese labour question were the chief topics, home rule was also generally introduced.

Mr. Burns, and Mr. Balfour (the latter at March star) dealt at great length with Chinese labour; Mr. Balfour said that the Liberals did not intend to dare not alter the system.

It is expected that the Borough elections will finish on the 17th and the Counties on the 27th instant.

## UNITED STATES CURRENCY.

A bill will be introduced at Washington for a reform of the currency.

## JAPANESE INVESTMENTS.

The Hokkaido Colliery Railway announces the issue of £1,000,000 mortgage bonds at 5%.

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

## OBITUARY.

## LORD RITCHIE'S DEATH.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 10.

Lord Ritchie was attacked with paralysis while staying at Biarritz, and has succ



## THE BANKRUPTCY COURT.

## Its Powers Regarding Warrants.

An interesting argument was heard in the Bankruptcy Court this morning, before His Lordship the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Pigott) concerning the powers of the Bankruptcy Court with regard to the issue of warrants for the arrest of debtors and how such warrants should be made out.

The matter arose in connection with an application for a writ of Habeas Corpus, moved by Mr. M. W. Slade, in the matter of Yu Pun and in the Matter of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, No 7 of 1891.

Mr. Slade (who was instructed by Mr. E. J. Grist) said that the warrant which was made out for the arrest of Yu Pun did not state the cause for commitment, it being essential that such should be done. The warrant ordered the gaoler to detain the debtor until such time as the Court may order. He submitted the Court had no power to make such an order; a time limit must be stated on the face of the warrant. The Court could not order the detention of a man until such time as the other parties saw fit to move.

Mr. Slade—The matter certainly seems very vague but I do not see what order could be made.

Mr. Slade—They could commit him for a week; that was quite sufficient time to consider whether a prosecution should be instituted. If they failed to commence proceedings then the man should be discharged. Supposing a friendless Chinaman was committed to gaol on such a warrant, he might remain there for ever unless his friends or the opposing solicitors intervened.

The Chief Justice—I quite agree with you in theory, but I am not quite clear how to deal with it in practice.

Mr. Slade—When a charge is brought against a man at the Magistrate's he must be charged within twenty-four hours, and given an opportunity to reply. The Magistrate has no power to commit him to prison for more than one week at a time; therefore there is a statutory power to press on with a case.

The Chief Justice—But there is no statutory power as to what time after a man's arrest he is to be charged.

Mr. Slade—Yes, my Lord, within twenty-four hours. It is the law of England, not only of this Colony.

The Chief Justice—The Bankruptcy Court is rather different from that, as it enables a warrant to be issued summarily if there is probable reason that he has committed an offence. I think the Court should have more summary power.

Mr. Slade—I venture to submit with due deference that the Court should not be invested with additional summary power, because in a case like the present the whole of the circumstances might not be before the Court and in the administration of criminal justice surely it is of the greatest importance that the prisoner's rights should be safeguarded as much as possible.

The Chief Justice—Criminal proceedings are departed from in the Bankruptcy Court. The peculiar circumstances of the Bankruptcy examination must be borne in mind. At an examination certain statements are made from which it appears to the Court that an offence has been committed. There should be some period to go into the facts and circumstances.

Mr. Slade—Why should it be longer than the time allowed a Magistrate to remand?

The Chief Justice—There may be many circumstances which could not be gone into.

Mr. Slade—Surely there should be a time limit; the prisoner could be brought up and remanded or admitted to bail.

The Chief Justice—The circumstances of the Bankruptcy offences are such that I almost always refuse bail.

Mr. Slade—That is an arguable point.

Mr. Slade—Under English law a man is entitled to bail for a misdemeanour, and this is a misdemeanour.

The Chief Justice—That is so.

Mr. Slade—Then he is entitled to bail.

The Chief Justice—Why should a man be allowed bail when the probable offence is that he has evaded the process of the Court? He has already gone out of the Colony.

Mr. Slade—If he gets bail his securities will see that he surrenders to that bail.

The Chief Justice—If he did not the Crown would estreat the bail, while the Bankruptcy Court is to protect creditors.

Mr. Slade—Yes, the Crown would take the bail. But I submit that the interpretation of the Bankruptcy clauses should be construed in the most favourable way in favour of the liberty of the subject. Under its sections I submit that a debtor cannot be imprisoned more than a limited time for a particular purpose to be expressed on the face of the warrant.

The Chief Justice—I quite appreciate your point.

Mr. Slade—I think I have shown two reasonable grounds for argument upon this question and would ask your Lordship to order a writ, so that on the return of the writ the points may be argued, or will your Lordship make a rule nisi when the questions could be argued.

The Chief Justice—I suppose I can discharge the prisoner now if the warrant is defective, and on the motion of the Official Receiver issue another writ.

Mr. Slade—If the prisoner is discharged on a writ of Habeas Corpus he could not be re-arrested on the same charge.

The Chief Justice—Could it be argued on the writ whether or not there was probable reason for surmounting that the debtor had committed an offence?

Mr. Slade—I am not quite sure. If the writ falls within the provisions of the Act of George III it could be argued; if it is a writ as provided for in the Habeas Corpus Act of Charles II it could not be argued.

The Chief Justice—It seems to me that the Bankruptcy proceedings might certainly be improved; the Court might desire to correct its first impression with reference to this case.

Mr. Slade—I do not know of any way in which that could be done. The crime which this man, in your Lordship's opinion, has probably committed could have been charged against him within two days. There is no reason for the delay, except for improper purposes on the part of the creditors.

The Chief Justice—This is not in the hands of the creditors, it is in the hands of the Official Receiver.

Mr. Slade—Suppose he has committed no offence. Here he has been in gaol for over a week. It might be three weeks or a month before the Official Receiver makes up his mind to bring a charge, when all the evidence is before him now. In the Police Court he would have to make up his mind within twenty-four hours. Meanwhile, my client is in gaol without redress.

The Chief Justice—The criminal side of the Bankruptcy laws must be enforced with great rigour, but the liberty of the subject should be guarded in every possible way.

Mr. Wakeman submitted the warrant was correctly made out, but

The Chief Justice pointed out that the offence should be specified.

Mr. Wakeman—If your Lordship decided to discharge the man I must apply for another warrant.

The Chief Justice—I must discharge him; but I am not clear whether I have power to issue another warrant. I agree with Mr. Slade that there should be a time limit within which evidence will be heard and a decision come to. In future, there must be a time specified.

Mr. Wakeman—The warrant is a statutory form.

The Chief Justice—Yes, but statutory forms are drafted in the most careless manner, and where it is necessary to put one straight it must be done.

After further argument, in the course of which Mr. Wakeman explained that the delay was occasioned because they knew this application was to be made, the Chief Justice discharged the warrant but ordered that the prisoner be kept in custody until 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon to enable the Official Receiver to institute proceedings if he thought expedient.

## SUPREME COURT

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before His Honour Sir Francis T. Pigott, Chief Justice.)

Thursday, January 11.

A BANKRUPT'S SECURITY.

In the case of Choy Chung Li, bankrupt, the Chief Justice in reply to an application by Mr. P. W. Goldring for the release of certain security, which had been deposited with the Court on behalf of the debtor, declined to release the security, ruling that the security was lodged for the appearance of the debtor when called upon, and until his appearance was no longer required or it was guaranteed in some other manner the present security must stand.

A PETITION DISMISSED.

Wong Chung Chi ex parte Wint Fong Lung and others. The Chief Justice decreed that the petition be dismissed, but on the application of Mr. P. W. Goldring permitted the latter to withdraw it.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST OFFICERS.

Stowaways from Japan.

E. Hansen, and Hans Nielsen, 2nd and 3rd officers of the Norwegian steamer "Thyra", and four Chinese members of the crew, were charged at the Magistrate's this morning, with aiding a number of Japanese to stowaway from Japan. The charge was the outcome of a case this morning in which 17 Japanese women were fined \$30 each for stowing away on the "Thyra".

Inspector Langley prosecuted and Mr. C. F. H. Beavis appeared for the defendants. The first witness called was a fireman from the "Thyra" who deposed that the steamer left the last port in Japan on January 4 and arrived here some days later. One morning after leaving Japan he saw two of the Chinese defendants preparing rice and giving it to the Japanese stowaways. This was done each day at 5 a.m. and 7 p.m. until the vessel reached Hongkong. They arrived in Hongkong in the afternoon and shortly afterwards he saw the second officer return to the ship's side with a launch, accompanied by two Japanese men. A rope ladder was put over the side and about 35 Japanese women and five men went down into the launch while the first, second, and third defendants were standing by. After the men and women had boarded the launch it went off in the direction of the Central District. The third defendant was left on deck and he struck witness because he said he had given information.

A Chinese winch-man was called and stated that when the defendants returned with the launch one of them went down into the hold and brought the stowaways back with him. He saw them go into the launch by means of the rope ladder and considered that there were between 30 and 40 Japanese.

Another witness was called who gave similar evidence, and this case was adjourned until to-morrow afternoon.

The text of the Sino Japanese Treaty and annex have been fully reported by Bateu Komura to the Emperor of Japan but it is believed that the same will be submitted to the Privy Council after the New Cabinet under Marquis Saionji is formed.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE BRAZEN LUNGS OF DEMOS.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Sir—I waited to see whether you would fittingly reply to that stupendous exhibition of Radical Imbecility which appeared in your columns on Tuesday under the above heading. It is with little surprise that I note that you have failed to mete out the punishment that was due. On a former occasion I warned you that a club was required to bang sense into skulls as thick as those of your Radical correspondents. Men of this type, Misdemeanors and Lovers of the (other man's) Country must not be treated as ordinary individuals. Their intelligence is similar to that of the frog who looked with speechless scorn upon a visitor who told him that there was a big world outside his well. Mr. Frog's mental horizon had been all his life bounded by the sides of the well, and he refused to extend it to embrace the glories without. He preferred to mess about in the mire he knew. You had a possible article on Imperialism the other day. Ask your correspondents—if there are two, I fancy I can detect in "Lover of His Country" the as in borrowed clothing so to speak—that they (or it) think about Imperialism. Sir, they never think. That is a dispensation of Almighty Providence. Mankind is never set a task unless he has the apparatus wherewith to accomplish it. Your latest deluded Radical correspondent brings up the Boer War. His type should keep very quiet about that. What happened to the sickly sentimentalists who let about the concentration camps? When the infamous tissue of base insinuations was torn aside it appeared as if their chief cause of complaint was that British Generals did not sufficiently often carry afternoon tea and buns round to the wives of the rebels, who were living probably better than they had ever before lived—at Britain's expense. The anti-British mob brayed indignantly because a number of the incarcerated children died. These people are overgrown with the fungi of ignorance and prejudice that their resemblance to rational humanity cannot be detected without exploration, apparently believe that an army should take the field equipped with feeding bottles and soothing syrup, to say nothing of bassinets. They ought to have a taste of war—see it, suffer it, at first-hand. Then let us hear their views.

It may be, Sir, that you think that I am flying off at a tangent. Not so I see, what you, judging by your leader in last night's issue evidently failed to observe, that your correspondent insinuated considerably more than he said. I know the Radical tactics by heart. "Besmirch your opponents and collar their policy." Their method of besmirchment is what might be expected of them. They steal up behind their adversary and throw mud at him, fervently praying that, although they retain most of it on their own hands, some of it will stick upon the object of their courageous attack—from behind.

Mr. Editor, "Lover of His Country" appealed to your fairness and all that sort of thing. Now I want to pin this individual down in a manner to which no fair-minded controversialist could object—

(1) Who are the "Radicals?"

(2) What were they put in "entire possession" of?

(3) Where is there a notice board (actual or metaphorical) in South Africa "This is not the land for white men?"

(4) Has the white population of S. A. decreased or increased since the adoption of Chinese Labour?

(5) What predictions of the Pro-Boer party have been fulfilled?

(6) When and where did Mr. Balfour declare—"that if any person or body of persons received violent treatment while advocating an unpopular policy it was only what they might expect and must abide by the consequences?" Also is that a complete quotation of what Mr. Balfour did say in that connection?

Has "Lover of His Country" either the capacity or the courage to give straight answers to these questions? If he has he will save me much ink. He will himself knock endways all the fatuous insinuations and assertions he made in his original letter.

Again I must apologise, Mr. Editor, for tanning so largely round in your columns. But some one must beat this stream of Radical slush with a dam of common-sense, and who can do it better than

Philosopher?

Hongkong, Jan. 11.

(Our correspondent "Philosopher," who apparently delights in serving up steaming hot verbal dishes, should remember that his cooking is not always to everyone's liking. We do not mind allowing a wide limit of freedom to correspondents, but when they show such violent aggressiveness as "Philosopher" imports into his communications we must consider whether it will not be advisable to protect ourselves by requesting a medical practitioner to attend those who attempt to break down the editorial staffs, everything in the universe that happens to be against their views. We must confess that in the wild outpourings of "Philosopher" there are scattered about some hard facts—and perhaps wise comments—but it would not do to trust them to the mercy of his editor's greater calmness and more taste in his selection of vigorous language, when expressing them. We merely pen this as a gentle reminder of the fact that we possess a capacious W. P. B. However, the Liberal supporters should be able to command sufficient ready language and data to be able to support "Philosopher" if their cause is based on the foundations they profess.—E. C. M.]

THE SUPERIORES OF THE ITALIAN CONVENT expresses grateful thanks to the benevolent friends and benefactors of the institution who have generously contributed towards the extension of the Convent. May their charity be repaid a hundred fold and every choicest blessing, be the sincere wish of the Superiores and all her community. A list of donations shows that Mr. M. J. D. Stephens has been most generous in his charity, donating \$5000. His Excellency the Governor and Major-General Hutton gave \$500 each, and contributions of \$500 were received from both Madams Mussel and Mr. Ho Tung. Mr. Post and Mr. Jos Lee sent \$200 each, Mr. Li a Pak \$115, and Mr. F. X. d'Almeida a Castro \$110. Contributions of \$100 each were received from Madams Montefiore, Sir Paul Chuter, Mr. A. G. Romano, Mr. F. Gomez, Mr. H. N. Mody, Mr. Sin Tak Fan, Mr. Victor Deacon, Mr. A. Rumjahn, Mr. E. S. Kadoorie, Mr. A. Palmer, and two Friends. Sums of \$30 were received from Mr. Z. Volpicelli, Mrs. Kassar, Messrs J. D. Humphreys and Son, Messrs D. Sassoon and Co., P. The Yat Ho Fook, Tan Eyo Chin, Lau Wei Cheun, \$25 donations were sent by Hon. Ho Kai, Hong Wei Yik, Hon. R. Shewan, Dr. Jordan, Messrs J. Macchato, a Friend, S. W. T. H. Price and Co., O. G. D. Leong Yan.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan will distribute the prizes to the boys of the Diocesan School and Orphanage on Tuesday, January 16, at noon.

On the 16th instant His Excellency will distribute the prizes at the Ellis Kadoorie Chinese School, at 11.30 a.m.

The speech day of St. Stephen's College is fixed for to-morrow, when His Excellency the Governor will preside. The ceremony is to commence at noon.

Mrs. Archibald Little's latest book, "Round about my Peking Garden," is gushingly reviewed by the "World." The paper says of Mrs. Little: "Prominently a popular writer, and never pedantic, she utilises her extensive knowledge and her unparalleled experience with judgment and taste." Of the book: "Here is a book which makes us live and move among this great people; treats with impartiality their ideas and customs; does due honour to the grandeur of their art and the perfection of their immemorial industries; shows them to us in their domestic lives and in their philosophical aspects; gives us glimpses of the marvels of their architecture and the ancient stateliness of their institutions; records the curious contradictions that exist in their towns and villages (for instance, water is absolutely pure and the middle of the street is a cesspool), and not least among its attractions, invites us to contemplate the Chinese 'Loo-dog,' which must be an irresistible beast."

Mr. W. Blackney, R.N., writes to The Times from Vevey, Switzerland, with reference to the death of Fleet-Paymaster Frederick Le Breton Bedwell, R.N. "His services in China, 1860-61, embraced attachment to Lord Elgin's Embassy both in Peking and Yeddo (Tokio to-day) as artist, and his illustrations full of life and representative of manners and customs which have long passed away from both the Courts of China and Japan, are to be found in the two volumes of Oliphant's narrative of that Embassy. He has left on record the scene of landing over to the Shogun the yacht 'Empress' (Aug. 1858), which marked the initial act of building up the navy of Japan. He accompanied an expedition to the Yangtze Kiang in 1860, and his faithful brush has left us scenes at the 'Court of the Heavenly Kings' (Taiping rebels), as also of the now almost forgotten tableaux of the three cities of Manchung, Han-yang, and Hankow as they then first presented themselves to the gaze of Western men."

The L. & C. Express announces the death on Nov. 26 of Mr. William Gavin Stronach, a former member of the British Consular Service in China. Mr. Stronach matriculated at the London University in 1853, and graduated B.A. in 1856, passing a competitive examination, July 1861, for appointment as Student Interpreter in China. He became a 3rd Class Assistant in 1863, 2nd Class, 1867, 1st Class, 1869, and an Interpreter, November 18, 1869. From 1871 to 1872 he was Acting Consul at Swatow, and till 1873, Acting Vice-Consul at Chinkiang. In the latter year he became Acting Assessor at Shanghai till 1874; and then Acting Vice-Consul at Kiangning from April 21 till Oct. 1876. He received his promotion to full Consul and was appointed to Pakhoi, November, 1877, and was transferred to Wenchow, February, 1880. He finally retired from the service on a pension, March 1, 1889, after 23 years in various posts in China. Mr. Stronach was a very retiring man, but of very kindly disposition. He was twice married, and leaves issue of one daughter.

Mr. Walter F. Wood, Assistant Attorney General at Manila, who was removed from his residence to the hospital on January 2 suffering from Asiatic cholera, died from the dread disease on January 5, about half past six.

H. E. Liou Fang, Vice-President of the Chinese Board of Foreign Affairs, will be appointed Minister to Russia.

It is reported that the Chinese Government proposes to transfer Mr. E. Chou Yu, Vicerey of Liang Kiang, to the Viceregal office at Foochow, vice H. E. Sung Fen, deceased. This appointment, however, is not yet decided, on account of the Mixed Court difficulty not having been settled.

The Superiores of the Italian Convent expresses grateful thanks to the benevolent friends and benefactors of the institution who have generously contributed towards the extension of the Convent. May their charity be repaid a hundred fold and every choicest blessing, be the sincere wish of the Superiores and all her community. A list of donations shows that Mr. M. J. D. Stephens has been most generous in his charity, donating \$5000. His Excellency the Governor and Major-General Hutton gave \$500 each, and contributions of \$500 were received from both Madams Mussel and Mr. Ho Tung. Mr. Post and Mr. Jos Lee sent \$200 each, Mr. Li a Pak \$115, and Mr. F. X. d'Almeida a Castro \$110. Contributions of \$100 each were received from Madams Montefiore, Sir Paul Chuter, Mr. A. G. Romano, Mr. F. Gomez, Mr. H. N. Mody, Mr. Sin Tak Fan, Mr. Victor Deacon, Mr. A. Rumjahn, Mr. E. S. Kadoorie, Mr. A. Palmer, and two Friends. Sums of \$30 were received from Mr. Z. Volpicelli, Mrs. Kassar, Messrs J. D. Humphreys and Son, Messrs D. Sassoon and Co., P. The Yat Ho Fook, Tan Eyo Chin, Lau Wei Cheun, \$25 donations were sent by Hon. Ho Kai, Hong Wei Yik, Hon. R. Shewan, Dr. Jordan, Messrs J. Macchato, a Friend, S. W. T. H. Price and Co., O. G. D. Leong Yan.

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BY WHARF AND WAVE.

A New Repair Ship.

The Admiralty has decided to provide another repair ship for the use of the fleet. The new s.s. "Indrabahar," sale of which took place early in December, having been purchased for that purpose.

New P. and O. Steamers.

The P. and O. Company, vide the annual report, recently accepted a tender from Messrs Caird and Co. to construct four twin-screw steamers of the intermediate class, with moderate passenger accommodation, and large cargo capacity, which appear in the fleet list under the names of "Namur," "Nile," "Nore," and "Nyazun."

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Po, Man Tse Ting, Fung Wa Chuen, Lau Chu Pak, Comptrollers Bank of Indo-China, Chan Lai Ming, Chan Sui Kl. \$20 were received from Mrs. d'Assoluto, Messrs E. S. Joseph, J. Osburn, \$15 from Chen Kai Ming, \$10 from Mr. H. S. White and Ma Kongka, \$5 from Mr. J. P. Yasunia, D. F. Kanarava, Burfajee Noorjee, Chan Kwok On, \$3 from Mr. Patel, and \$2 from Messrs J. J. Savaria, M. H. Katrak, S. F. Kanarava, and H. R. Dhabhar.

We learn from a Home paper that Dr. G. E. Morrison, of Peking, has returned to 22 Jernyn Street from the Continent, and is returning to China early in the New Year.

The performance of the "Prisoner of Zenda" by the Shanghai A.D.C. was so popular that the company have decided to give an extra performance in the Settlement to-morrow.

Mr. John. McGregor Gibb, Junior, the



## Shipping.

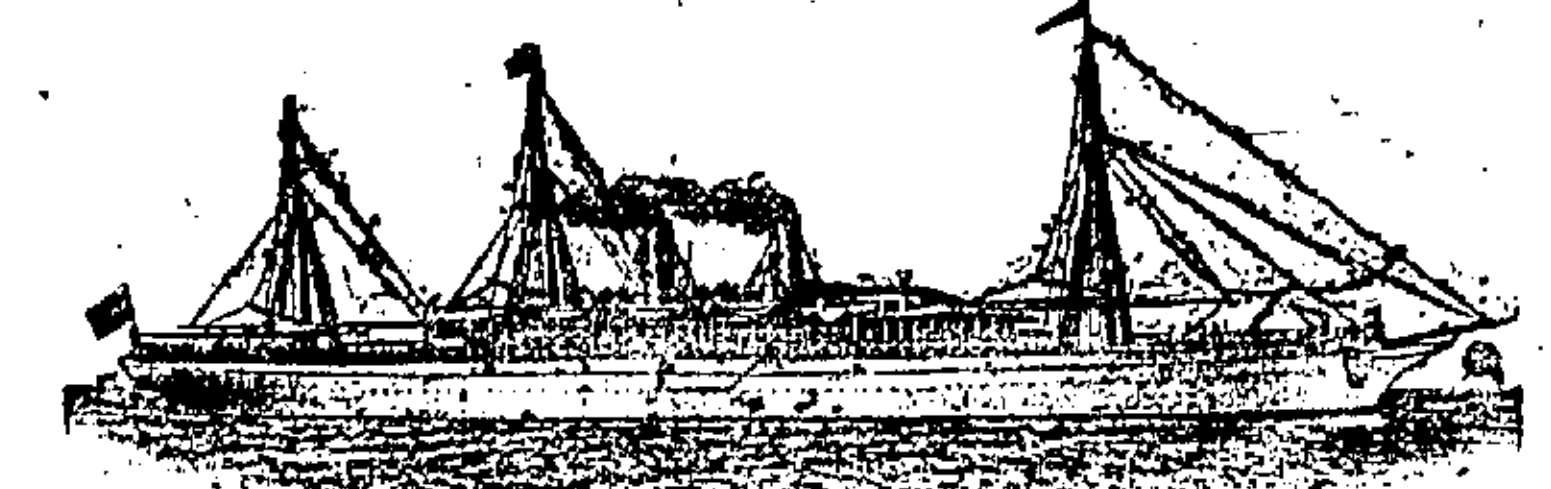
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LONDON & ANTWERP.....	PALAWAN.....	About 17th January. Freight and Passage.
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* KOBÉ.....	FAHANG.....	SATURDAY, Jan. 13, at 8 p.m.
* SHANGHAI.....	CHUNGANG.....	SATURDAY, Jan. 15, at 4 p.m.
* SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.....	FAHANG.....	TUESDAY, Jan. 16, at 3 p.m.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.....	KUTSANG.....	TUESDAY, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m.

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* DAIKIN MARU.....	YAMBU, via SWATOW	MONDAY, Jan. 16, 10 a.m.
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	OPACE.....	23rd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	NINGCHOW.....	24th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	ACHILLE.....	30th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	PERU.....	6th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....	ALCANTARA.....	13th "

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....	ISOMENEUS.....	16th January.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.....	PAN LINE.....	20th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....	SESTOR.....	30th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....	SAME BEDS.....	13th February.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.....	PATROCLES.....	20th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....	ANTWERP.....	27th "

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI.....	YANGTZE.....	24th January.
SAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....	YANGTZE.....	24th February.

## WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DOE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA.....	PINGPOY.....	26th January.
AND PACIFIC COAST.....	YANGTZE.....	30th February.

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## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA.....	TRAN.....	16th January.
MAKILA, ZAMBOANGA, P. DAWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.....	CHIKO.....	16th January.

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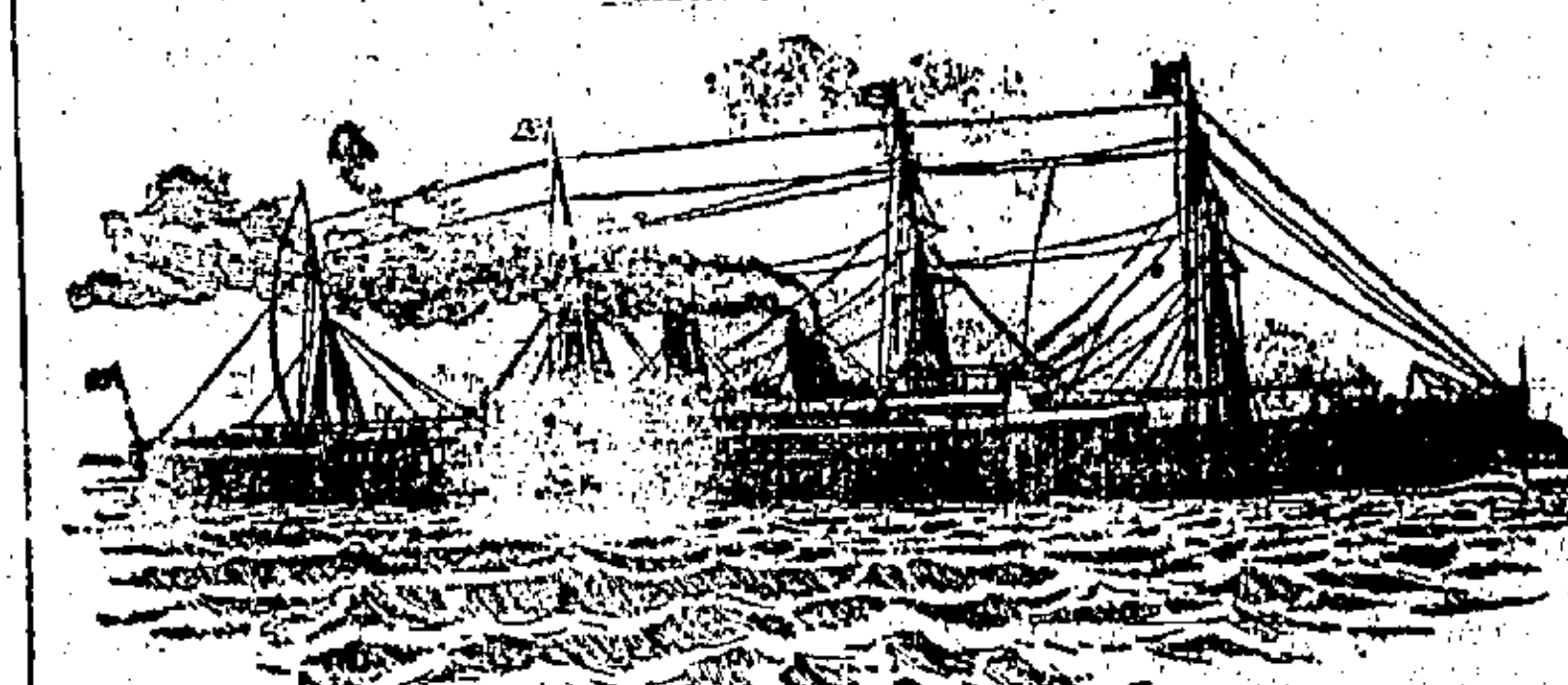
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* KOREA.....	11,000 ".....	FRIDAY, 9th Feb., at Noon.
* SIBERIA.....	11,000 ".....	FRIDAY, 2nd Mar., at Noon.
* MONGOLIA.....	11,000 ".....	SATURDAY, 17th Mar., at Noon.
HONGKONG MARU.....	11,000 ".....	FRIDAY, 2nd Feb., at Noon.
AMERICA MARU.....	11,000 ".....	SATURDAY, 10th Mar., at Noon.
MOITO.....	11,000 ".....	FRIDAY, 16th Mar., at Noon.
GOITTO.....	11,000 ".....	TUESDAY, 20th Feb., at Noon.

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SILK and Yarns, all cargo for France, and for London (under arrangements) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &amp;c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. DAKOTA, due in London on the 24th February, 1906.

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DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
Australian Ports ....	Empire (a) .....	Olth Livingston & Co.	Jan. 24, at Noon.
Australian Ports ....	Ohingtu (a) .....	Butterfield & Swire.	January 16.
Amoy, Swatow, P'oon	Palamotta (a) .....	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 16, Daylight.
P'bay, via P'ora P'ar.	Ischia (a) .....	Carlowitz & Co.	Jan. 12, at Noon.
Gona, Moya, P'pool.	Pak King (a) .....	Butterfield & Swire.	January 20.

Göncü, Marc., Y'pool	Patrosius (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire	February 20.
Jaya Port.....	Timbal (s) .....	Jaya-China-Japan Lipo	last half of Jan
Japan via Shanghai..	Tijilwong (e) .....	Jaya-China-Japan Lipo	last half of Feb
Japan via Shanghai..	Tijpanos (s) .....	Jay-China-Jap. Mail Lipo	last half of Jan
Koko .....	Chunsum (s) .....	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 13, at S. p.m.
L'don, Am'Can, A'err	Moneumeus (s) .....	Hartford & Sons	January 18.
L'don, Am'Can, A'err	Venter (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire	February 17.
L'don, Am'Can, A'err	Saint Nede (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire	February 18.

R. E.O. & C. N. G.  
Jan. 18, at 9 o'clock.

Göncü, Marc., Y'pool	Patrosius (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire	February 20.
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Jan. 18, at 9 o'clock.

London, Eng.	Palmer (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 17.
London, Antwerp, & Rotterdam	Palmer (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 14.
London, Japan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 10 & 15 Norn.
London, & London	Arden (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 16.
Mar., Lyon & A'erp	Glenrud (s)	McGregor Bros. & Gov.	Jan. 28, at 1 p.m.
Messager via Saigon	Polynesian (s)	Messager & Martini	Mon. & Fri. Morn.
Messager, London & Genoa	Wanderer (s)	Wanderer	Feb. 4.
Manila	Tuan (s)	Bathurley & Swire.	January 16.
Manila	Zaen (s)	Shawm, Thomas & Co.	Jan. 13, at Noon.

Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 20, at Noon.
Manila	Loonsping (s)	Jardine, Noon & Co.	Jan. 20, at 4 p.m.
New York v. Suez Canal	Huden (s)	Standard Oil Co.	Jan. 18, at Noon.
New York v. Suez Canal	Atholi (s)	Doddrell & Co. Limited	About Jan. 12.
New York v. Suez Canal	Parban (s)	D. O. N. & Co. Limited	About Jan. 21.
Shanghai v. Kobe Yama	Ceylon (s)	R. O. N. & Co. Limited	About Jan. 23.
San Francisco	Kishaki (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Jan. 16.
San Francisco v. Japan	Nippa Maru (s)	Toy Kisen Kaisha.	Jan. 12, at Noon.
		O. Y. K. S.S. Co.	Jan. 19, at Noon.

San Francisco, Calif.	Manchu (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Jan. 26, at Noon.
San Francisco, Japan	Chung-Kong Maru (a)	.....	Feb. 2, at noon.
San Francisco via Japan	Korea (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 9, at Noon.
San Francisco, Japan	Coptic (a)	C. O. S.S. Co.	Feb. 20, at Noon.
Seattle, v. S'hai Japan	Dakota (a)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	About Jan. 27.
Seattle, v. S'hai Japan	Minnesota (a)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	About Mar. 16.
Shanghai, .....	Taiwan (a)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 15, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, .....	Arctia (a)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 13.

S'pore, Pang & Nta, Kutsang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 16, at 3 p.m.
Sourabaya & Rembang, Faurang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 16, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Pang, Oho & Co, Ch'na (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	Jan. 24, at 3 p.m.
S'hal and Portland, Or. Arabia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Feb. 3, Daylight.
S'hal and Portland, Or.	Argentina (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.
S'hal and Portland, Or.	Nicomedia (s)	Mar. 11, Daylight.
S'pore, Amoy & Tamsui	Dalrym. Marla (s)	Mar. 23, Daylight.
S'pore, Amoy & Amoy	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Jan. 14, 10 a.m.
S'pore, Amoy & Amoy	Daka Shosen Kaisha.	Jan. 14, 10 a.m.
S'pore, Amoy & Amoy	Daka Shosen Kaisha.	Jan. 15, 10 a.m.

Stow, Amos	Haiman (S) .....	Douglas Lapsack & Co.	Jan. 12, 11 a.m.
Stow, Amos, Pascho	.....	.....	.....
Stow, Wm. V.	Ningchow (S) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	January 24,
Victoria, B. O. Tacoma	Shawmut (S) .....	Dodwell & Co., Ltd. ....	Jan. 27,
Victoria, B. O. Tacoma	Hyades (S) .....	Dodwell & Co. Limited ..	About Feb. 10,
Victoria, B. O. Tacoma	Tromont (S) .....	Dodwell & Co. Limited ..	About Feb. 20,
Vancouver (B. C.) &	Athenian (S) .....	Canadian P <sup>ss</sup> R. Co.	January 24,
Vancouver (B. C.) &	Empress of India (S) ..	"Canadian P <sup>ss</sup> R. Co.	February 7,
Vancouver (B. C.) &	Tatar (S) .....	Canadian P <sup>ss</sup> R. Co.	February 21,

## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS

January 11, 1906.

	Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotation.
	<b>BANKS.</b>				\$900, sales
	Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	50,000	£ 129	215	London, £24.10
	National Bank of China, Limited ..	99,925	£ 7	£ 5	\$35, buyers.
	<b>MARINE INSURANCE.</b>				
	Canter Insurance Office Co., Ltd. ..	10,000	£ 25.53	5	\$315 —
	Canter Insurance Co., Ltd. ..	24,001	£ 83.53	5	\$31.90

North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. ....	10,000	2	6	74.95
Union Insurance Society, Ltd. ....	10,000	3	250	100 2730-
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd. ....	8,000	3	100	60 1170
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. ....	20,000	3	100	2) 300
Wongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. ....	8,000	3	250	5) 3330
DOCKS, ETC.				
Hong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd. ....	50,000	3	60	at 2182 sellers

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	8	25	25	225
New Army Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	8	64	8	64
N. C. Farman, Boyd & Co. Ed.	56,700	Ths.	10	19	121, ex div.
STAMBOURNE, SUSSEX					
Mina and Manila S. S. Co. Ltd.	30,000	8	25	25	320
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	8	50	all	337, buyers
Chas. Y. S. S. Co.	80,000	8	15	83	83

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China Sugar Company, Limited.....	30,000	\$	100	all	\$205
Luen Chai Sugar Company, Limited.....	7,000	\$	100	all	\$24, buyers
Park Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.....	2,000	Tls.	50	T	60 Tls. 70
WHEAT.					
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	\$	50	all	\$108, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	30,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 231, buyers

LAND AND BUILDINGS.					
Hoangkong Land Investment Fund	50,000	\$	100	100	\$125, sellers
Agency Company, Limited	62,000	Ts.	50	Pla. 50	Ts. 120
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$	60	50	\$10, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	3,784	Ts.	25	Pla. 55	Ts. 12, buyers
Wei Shing Land and Building Co., Ltd.	150,000	Ts.	10	all	\$124, sales
Hamphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	12,500	\$	50	\$5	\$56
Wah Wah Estate Building Co., Limited					

	TRAMWAYS.	1,250	\$ 100.	all	\$210
	HK High-Level Tramways Co., Ed.				
	Mining.				
	Société Française des Charbon-	18,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$190
	nages du Tonkin.				
	Nouv Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ed.	200,600	£	13/10	\$4. buyers
	Hotels, etc.				
	Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£	5	\$140
		(0.6)			

Astor House Hotel Ltd. (London)	100,000	10	10	10	100
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'pore)	35,000	5	5	5	500
DIVERSARIES					
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	80,000	8	8	10	313
Watkins Limited	10,000	2	10	19	28, 30/100
LIGHTING					
HEK and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	2	10	all	1176, 14/100
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	5,000	2	10	all	1234, 14/100
	28,000	2	10	all	1234, 14/100

Hongkong Electric Co., Limited ..	32,000	10	10	114, buyers	
New Electric (new issue) .....	100,000	10	10	114, buyers	
BRICK AND CEMENT					
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. ....	150,000	10	10	639, sales & sellers	
MISCELLANEOUS					
Ball's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,391	2	18	18	571
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	100,000	10	10	10	39
	100,000	10	10	10	180

Limited.	15,000	3	10	613, sellers
Hk. Steam Water Co., Ltd.	25,000	7	8	615, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	5,000	3	25	635, buyers
Shanghai Ice Company, Limited.	7,200	5	12	724, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	5	10	732, sale
Hk. Kong Rop. Manufacture Co., Ltd.	125,000	3	19	744, sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	50,000	5	16	744, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	50,000	5	16	744, sellers

International Cotton Manufactur-	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 40
Laon-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning	8,000	Tls. 115	Tls. 102	Tls. 54
and Weaving Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 250
Soo Choo Cotton Spinning Co.,	200,000	8	8	89.10, sales & buyers
Chun Pratten Loan Mortgage	100,000	1	12	110, sellers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	6,000	1	12	\$38

Campden, insecticide	12,000	1	5	1	\$10, males
Wm. Powell, Ld.	3,000				
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Finishing Co., Ltd.	1,200	5	0	5	\$50
South China Morning Post	6,000	25	0	25	\$20, sellers
CIGAR COMPANIES					
Philippine Co., Ltd.	67,500	10	0	10	\$5, buyers
Alphacaps Limited	300	500	0	500	\$100, buyers

COINS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Questions.
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